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The Woodlands Township Board of Directors holds monthly workshop

THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS (February 18, 2011) – The Woodlands Township Board of Directors held its monthly Board Workshop on Thursday, February 17, 2011, and discussed items that will be brought forward to its next regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, February 23, 2011, at 6 p.m., at The Woodlands Township Service Center, 2201 Lake Woodlands Drive.

The Board reviewed the following agenda items, all of which will appear on the consent agenda on February 23, 2011:

- The minutes of the January 20, 2011 Board Workshop, January 26, 2011 Regular Board Meeting and January 26, 2011 Town Hall Meeting of the Board of Directors of The Woodlands Township.
- A recommendation from the Audit Committee to accept the Hotel Occupancy Tax Agreed-Upon Procedures Report for 2009.
- A recommendation from the Audit Committee to accept the Convention Center Booking and Blocking Agreed-Upon Procedures Report for 2009.
- The award of bid for Waterway Square maintenance services.
- Adoption of a resolution excluding annexed territory from the boundaries and taxing jurisdictions of overlapping Emergency Services Districts.
- Adoption of a resolution removing the annexed territory from the boundaries and taxing jurisdiction of the Metropolitan Transit Authority.
- Approval of proposed dates for budget meetings in connection with the development of the 2012 Operating Budget of The Woodlands Township.
- Acting upon a letter from Waste Management regarding proposed changes to The Woodlands Township's request for proposal process for waste collection and recycling services.
- A recommendation from Novak Consulting and Police Executive Research Forum for law enforcement study consulting services.
- Consider and act upon approval of further research by staff regarding the issues involved with improvements to the pedestrian bridge across Grogan's Mill Road.



- Approval of an Order amending Order No. 014-10 imposing an events admission tax.
- Support of a resolution concerning legislation to mitigate the impact of the 2010 Census on state transportation funding.

The Board also received an update from Jim Stinson, General Manager of The Woodlands Joint Powers Agency, regarding the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality decision to approve permits for the TexCom project and waste disposal injection wells. The board also had discussion on former Community Association assessments and ad valorem taxes. More information on taxes, and the difference between the assessments and ad valorem taxes, is available on the Township site under Taxes.

The Board reviewed the following items that will be placed on the February 23, 2011, regular meeting agenda, to be discussed in further detail:

1. Consider and select consultant for the governance planning process.
2. A report regarding the Bicycle Friendly Community application process.
3. An agreement between the Center for the Performing Arts at The Woodlands and The Woodlands Township relating to funding of cultural education events.
4. Discussion regarding changes approved by the Board in September 2010 to the committee system.
5. A Request For Proposal to provide design services for the renovation of Sawmill Park.
6. Adoption of a supplemental election order appointing election officials and establishing compensation for same.

Following The Woodlands Township Board of Directors workshop, The Woodlands Fire Department Board of Directors convened, and:

- Approved the January 20, 2011, Board Meeting minutes.
- Reviewed and discussed the December 2010 Woodlands Fire Department financial statements.
- Approved proposed dates for budget meetings in connection with the development of the 2012 The Woodlands Fire Department budget.

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